

State of California
Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Diego Region

EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT
March 12, 2003

ITEM: 8 a.

SUBJECT: Waste Discharge Requirements For Groundwater Extraction Waste Discharges To San Diego Bay From The San Diego Convention Center, San Diego County (Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0050, NPDES Permit No. CA0109029) (Sherrie Komeylyan)

PURPOSE: Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0050 establishes Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) to serve as an individual NPDES permit for discharges of groundwater extraction wastes to San Diego Bay from the San Diego Convention Center.

PUBLIC NOTICE: A public notice published in the San Diego Union Tribune on February 7, 2003 served as the 30-day official public notification for this action, as required by Title 40, section 124.10 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Copies of the tentative Order were mailed on February 7, 2003 to the discharger and all known interested parties and agencies for review and comment. Public notification for this item was also provided via the Regional Board Agenda Notice for today's meeting. The Agenda Notice was mailed 12 days in advance of today's meeting and has also been posted on the Regional Board's web site. Copies of the tentative Order have been made available for public review at the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board office as of February 7, 2003.

DISCUSSION: See attached Staff Report dated February 28, 2003 for this Item.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES:

1. Requirements of 40 CFR 131.38 (California Toxics Rule (CTR)) have been implemented.
2. This Order establishes a maximum discharge rate of 1.0 million gallons per day (MGD) for the facility.
3. Effluent Limitations have been established pursuant to the CTR, a Policy for Implementation of Toxic Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California (Implementation Policy) for a discharge of 1.0 MGD.
4. Monitoring for MTBE (Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether) has been added to the monitoring requirements.

5. The monitoring frequency has been increased from quarterly to monthly for the following constituents: total petroleum hydrocarbons, arsenic, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, copper, lead, mercury, nickel, silver, zinc, and acute and chronic toxicity.

LEGAL CONCERNS: None

COMPLIANCE

RECORD: See attached Staff Report dated February 28, 2003 for this Item.

SUPPORTING DOCS:

1. Location Maps
2. Copy of Tentative Order transmittal letter
3. Fact Sheet for Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0050
4. Tentative Order No. R9-2003-0050
5. Attachment A
6. Attachment B
7. Attachment C
8. Attachment D
9. Tentative Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R9-2003-0050

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the adoption of tentative Order No. R9-2003-0050.